



## Various Areas Notified in Veerangana Durgavati Tiger Reserve

### Why In News?

On September 22, 2023, various areas were notified in the Veerangana Durgavati Tiger Reserve of Madhya Pradesh by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi with a view to the conservation and promotion of wild animals.

### Key Points:

- In compliance with the condition imposed in the approval given by the Central Government to the Ken-Betwa Link Project, the area of Veerangana Durgavati Sanctuary has been included in the previously notified Nauradehi Sanctuary in District Sagar, Damoh and Narsinghpur.
- Veerangana Durgavati Sanctuary is the seventh tiger reserve in Madhya Pradesh. An area of 1414.00 sq km of tiger reserve has been notified as core area and 925.120 sq km area as buffer area.
- The previously notified eco-sensitive zone of Nauradehi and Veerangana Durgavati sanctuaries and the surrounding forest area have been included in the notified buffer area.
- Since no other new revenue area has been included in this Tiger Reserve, no additional restrictions will be imposed on the local people around the Tiger Reserve. Already notified sanctuary areas or eco-sensitive areas have been included in the Tiger Reserve.
- The establishment of this tiger reserve will increase the ecological services received from these forests.
- Continuous availability of ecosystem services will be ensured, which will provide ecological security for present and future generations.



